



ST. JOHN FISHER **PARISH**

January 2022

Welcome to the SJF Monthly News!

Please share this letter with your family, friends, and neighbors.

This communication will contain brief updates from different groups in our parish each month. Our goal is to keep our parish, school, and community connected. Questions? Email sifparishchicago@gmail.com If this letter was forwarded to you from someone else, please sign up to get your own letter each month by clicking on the button below.

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Mass



Current Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4 pm Sunday: 8 am, 11 am

Weekdays (M-W-F): 8:15 am Confession: Saturday 3 pm

Please wear a mask to mass.

Blessed be your name, O God. You have filled the earth with your gifts. That day in Cana you brought the gift of wine and joy.

But each day you offer us your gifts of grace and mercy.

Inspire us to share those priceless gifts with our hurting world.

School



Happy New Year! Students are halfway through the second trimester and working hard to excel in SJF's challenging academic curriculum.

Students continue to take advantage of the many enrichment opportunities at SJF including Chess Club, E.T.C. classes, FSA-sponsored events, and athletics (under all new lighting in the gym - thanks to Pat O'Connor, Steve Scarsella, Bob Houston, Clint Wingate, Dave Cahill and the Holy Name Society, and Jim Welsh and his electric company.)

January 30th is the start of Catholic

Amen.

From Sisters of Mercy of the Americas

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Schools Week! Students, faculty, and staff will celebrate in school all week, but due to COVID restrictions our traditional Mass and Open House have been postponed until March 27th. Mark your calendars!

Mrs. Nash's Notes

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Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

As always, our community demonstrated a tremendous spirit of generosity over the holidays. The **Pro Labore Dei Christmas gift collection** was a great success; the **Grand Raffle raised over \$50,000** in support of the parish's operating budget; and the launch of **The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation** has been supported by gifts from over 100 parishioners, school families, alumni, and friends since the end of November. The vitality of our parish and school missions increasingly rely on these important fundraising initiatives, and you never disappoint. Thank you!

The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation Website

Fisher Falcon Education
Foundation Flyer and Summary

What is The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation?

In an effort to ensure the continuation of SJF high-quality, faithbased, and affordable education, we have launched **The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation**

(www.falconeducationfoundation.org), an independent, notfor-profit 501(c)(3) organization that protects and promotes the mission and resources of St. John Fisher School by raising funds for investment in people, programs, and facilities that enhance the educational experience and opportunities for



its students and faculty, therefore enriching the quality of life for its greater community.



Join us for an evening benefitting

THE FISHER FALCON EDUCATION FOUNDATION

SATURDAY, MAY 7TH 2022 6:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

Ridge Country Club

OPEN BAR. HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES. LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS

ADDITIONAL DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Interested in helping plan the Spring Grand Gala to benefit the Fisher Falcon Education Foundation? Contact John O'Connor jpo11380@hotmail.com

Thank You!



A special **thanks** to Anna Duffy, Cathy Hayes, Tim Bush, and Chas Hayes for their time and hardwork in **decorating the church grounds for Christmas**. They helped in various ways, ranging from setting up the Nativity Scene, to beautifying the grounds with fresh pines, to putting up Christmas lights. Thank you also to all of those **volunteers who helped the SJF Environmental Committee decorate the inside of our church** so beautifully for the Christmas season.



Pro Labore Dei News

Due to the current rise in covid-19 cases the mission is shut down for the SJF community for the month of January. There will be no collection of goods in the parking lot on any Saturday. We hope to resume all activity on Saturday, February 5th, but please follow the bulletin and Facebook for confirmation before donating.

The next lunch making session will be on **Saturday**, **February 5th at 9am**. As always **we welcome all donations** for the makings **and volunteers** to help compile the lunches. Whatever you can do will be greatly appreciated. Donations needed are:

15 loaves of bread 15 tomatoes 4 heads of lettuce 150 bags of chips

Please note that the time for the **regular food collection has changed to 9:30 - 10:00 am beginning in February** on the parking lot. Please note that food pantries are in constant need of supplies. Thanks for your understanding. As always, you are all so awesome.

Any questions, feel free to contact Pam O'Mara (773-612-0281) or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773-239-8428)

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Renew My Church - Decision Postponed

The Cardinal's decision for our parish grouping in the Renew My Church process has been **delayed until March**. Please send any questions or comments you have to our committee at renewmychurch@sjfschool.us.



MANNA

Thank you to parishioners, school famlies, and friends for shopping with us during the Christmas Season. It was great to see so many supporters - even through the masks! Please remember that **Manna is available year round**.

Manna **earnings reports** will be available starting January 18, 2022. Please inquire at any cash and carry sale or email us at <u>sifmann@gmail.com</u>.

A couple of Manna Tips:

- Kohls allows you to pay your Kohls bill with gift cards purchased through Manna.
- Use no-fee Visa cards for co-pays, deductibles (dental and medical) and any other purchases you make that gift cards are not available.

CLICK here for more information about MANNA

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Holy Name Society

All men of the parish are invited to the upcoming Holy Name Society events:

- Jan 30th- AFC/NFC Party at Kane Hall. Not sure on the start time yet.
- **Feb 17th- Bowling** at Eagle Bowl in Blue Island.

Email sjfhns@gmail.com for more information.



Register for Holy Name

Women's Club

Our second Annual **Zoom Bingo originally planned for January has been cancelled** but we hope to reschedule. Watch the Women's Club **facebook** page for details.

Other upcoming events include Trivia Night, NCAA Garage Hop and pool, Scavenger Hunt, and Golf Outing.

If you are not a member of SJF Women's Club, email at <u>SJFwomensclub@gmail.com</u> to be added. Thanks to all for your support.

Register for Women's Club

Women's Club on Facebook

Beverly Youth Lacrosse

It's time for another season of the fastest game on two feet--lacrosse. **Registration for the Boys Spring Beverly Lacrosse program is now open**. The program begins in mid-March and ends in early June.

- For details on the 3-4th grade program, go to: www.bevlacrosse.com
- For details on the 5-8th grade program, go



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Sign up for Online Giving to SJF Parish

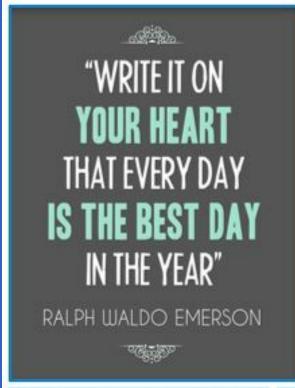
Donate to the Fisher Falcon Education Foundation

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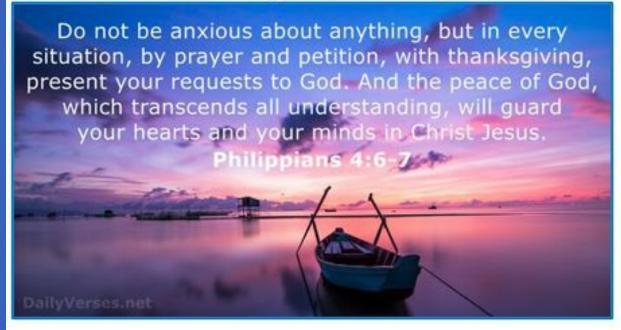
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